

Amendments to the Specification:

Please insert the following paragraph at Page 1, line 5:

RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is the National Stage of International Application Number PCT/JP2003/008248, filed June 27, 2003, which was published in English and designated the United States, and which claims the benefit of Japanese Patent Application Number 2002-191527, filed June 28, 2002, the contents of which are incorporated by this reference.

Please amend Table 1 on page 87 as follows:

Table 1

	Cell survival rate	Tissue damage rate
No treatment	100%	0%
First generation SDS process	38.8%	40%
Second generation SDS process	<u>4.7%</u> <u>14.6%</u>	15%
PEG/DNaseI treatment	<u>14.6%</u> <u>4.7%</u>	15%
TRITON treatment	17.8%	34%

Please amend Table 2 on page 88 as follows:

Table 2

Treatment	Ds	β value
No treatment (porcine aorta)	<u>4.74</u> <u>3.44</u>	22.0
PEG/DNasel	<u>3.44</u> <u>4.74</u>	25.3
Triton (registered Trademark)x 100 treatment	5.32	17.5